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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Hans-Peter Josel et al.)
Serial No. 08/776,190) Examiner Mark Lance Shibuya
Filing Date: January 24, 1997) Group Art Unit No. 1639
For: Oligomeric Carrier Molecules with)
Defined Incorporated Marker)
Groups and Haptens)

Response to Action dated 9.16.04

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated September 16, 2004, Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on March 15, 2005. This response is submitted concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination and a three month petition for extension of time. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to withdraw the objections and rejections to this

application and to grant allowance of this Application in view of the attached Declaration by Dr. Milan Mrksich and in view of the following remarks.